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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: RONALD M. JONES

APPLICATION No.: 10/816,557

FILED: April 1, 2004

FOR: ADHERED MEMBRANES RETAINING POROSITY AND  
BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

EXAMINER: WALLENHORST

ART UNIT: 1743

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**Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

I, Ronald M. Jones, declare and affirm as follows:

1. I am the sole inventor of the subject matter claimed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/816,557, filed April 1, 2004, entitled "Adhered Membranes Retaining Porosity and Biological Activity."

2. I am a co-inventor of U.S. Application No. 11/109,526 filed April 18, 2005 and published on September 22, 2005 as US 2005/0208609. The application includes as co-inventors Thomas E. Worthy and Anthony J. Nugent.

3. The '526 application discloses, but does not claim, a laminate comprising a reagent pad and HDL test pad.

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4. I hereby declare and affirm that I conceived the subject matter disclosed in the '526 application that is relied upon in the present rejection as referenced in point 3 above.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

10/12/06  
Date

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